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LEAVE.

Gr. C. Humphreys' leave of absence is
extended to 22. 4. 19.

PARADES.

Parade for Thursday, 17th inst.
7 a.m. and 5.30 p.m.—Members of
Signalling Section and other Signallers, as
detailed in Signalling Section Order dated
8. 12. 15.—Morse & Morse lamp
practice at Headquarters.
5.15 p.m.—No. 4 Section Scouts Co. (all
members)—Machine Gun instruction at
Headquarters.
5.15 p.m.—"recruits of all units—Squad
drill and Rifle exercises at Headquarters
under Sergeant Major W. J. By and one M.C.O.
from Right Section M. G. Co.
Remainder, Nil.

DETAIL.

On duty until morning of 18th inst.—
H.K.V.R.
On duty 18th inst., Centre Section
M. G. Co.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Major Maheman, Commanding H.K.V.R.

PROMOTIONS.

His Excellency the Governor has been
pleased to appoint Serjt. Major Alphonso
McCann to the rank of Second Lieutenant
in the H.K.V.R., with effect from the 8th
February 1916.

Co. Serjt. Major C. Boyd has been pro-
moted to the rank of Battalion Sergeant Major,
with effect from the 8th February, 1916.

PARADES FOR FRIDAY THE 18TH INST.,
AT 5.15 P.M.

"A," "B" and "C" Co's on the Cricket
Ground for Battalion Drill. Dress:
drill order.

Signalling Section at Volunteer Head-
quarters. Uniform to be worn. All
members are requested to be prompt in
their attendance.

NOTICES.

Before the parade of "A," "B" and
"C" Companies on Friday the 18th inst.
it is proposed to have the "C" Company
photographed at 4.45 p.m. All members
of the "C" Company are particularly
requested to attend at that time.

Commencing on March 1st, the new 1914
Platoon Drill will be adopted. Members
are requested to see the notice boards at
the Volunteer Headquarters and the Courts
of Justice to ascertain to what sections they
have been posted.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

ROUTE MARCH.

All ranks, except medical exempts, will
parade at Central Police Station at 2.45
p.m. on Saturday, February 19th, for
Route March through Western Police
District. Uniform, Helmets and Rifles.
MAXIM GUNS.

Musketry Sergeant Ford is provisionally
appointed to take charge of the Maxim
Guns. P. G. Edie, Hyndman, Molloy
and Mow Fung are transferred thereto.
Further men are required for training,
during which they will be relieved of
certain, if not all, other duties.

MUSKETRY—SUNDAY FEBRUARY 20TH.
The attention of all members of the
following Platoon is called to orders of
February 5th/16th.

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Platoons of No. 1
Company, and 2nd Platoon of No. 1
Company.

"DUTY REMINDERS."

This Book is in course of being com-
pletely re-written and amplified, and will
be issued to all ranks at the earliest possi-
ble moment.

ORCHESTRA PRACTICE.

Friday, February 18th, at 8 p.m.
SUMMER UNIFORM MEASURING.

Friday Feb. 18. 5.30 p.m.—1st Platoon
No. 1 Company.

Friday Feb. 18th 6.0 p.m.—2nd Platoon
No. 1 Company.

Wednesday March 1st 5.30 p.m. 1st
Platoon No. 3 Co.

Wednesday March 1st 6.0 p.m. 2nd
Platoon No. 3 Co.

Thursday March 2nd 5.30 p.m. 2nd
Platoon No. 3 Co.

Thursday March 2nd 6.0 p.m. 4th
Platoon No. 3 Co.

Friday March 3rd 5.30 p.m. No. 4 Co.
Saturday March 4th 5.0 p.m. Ambulance
(Sgt.) F. C. Jones,
P.M.S. (Sergeant).

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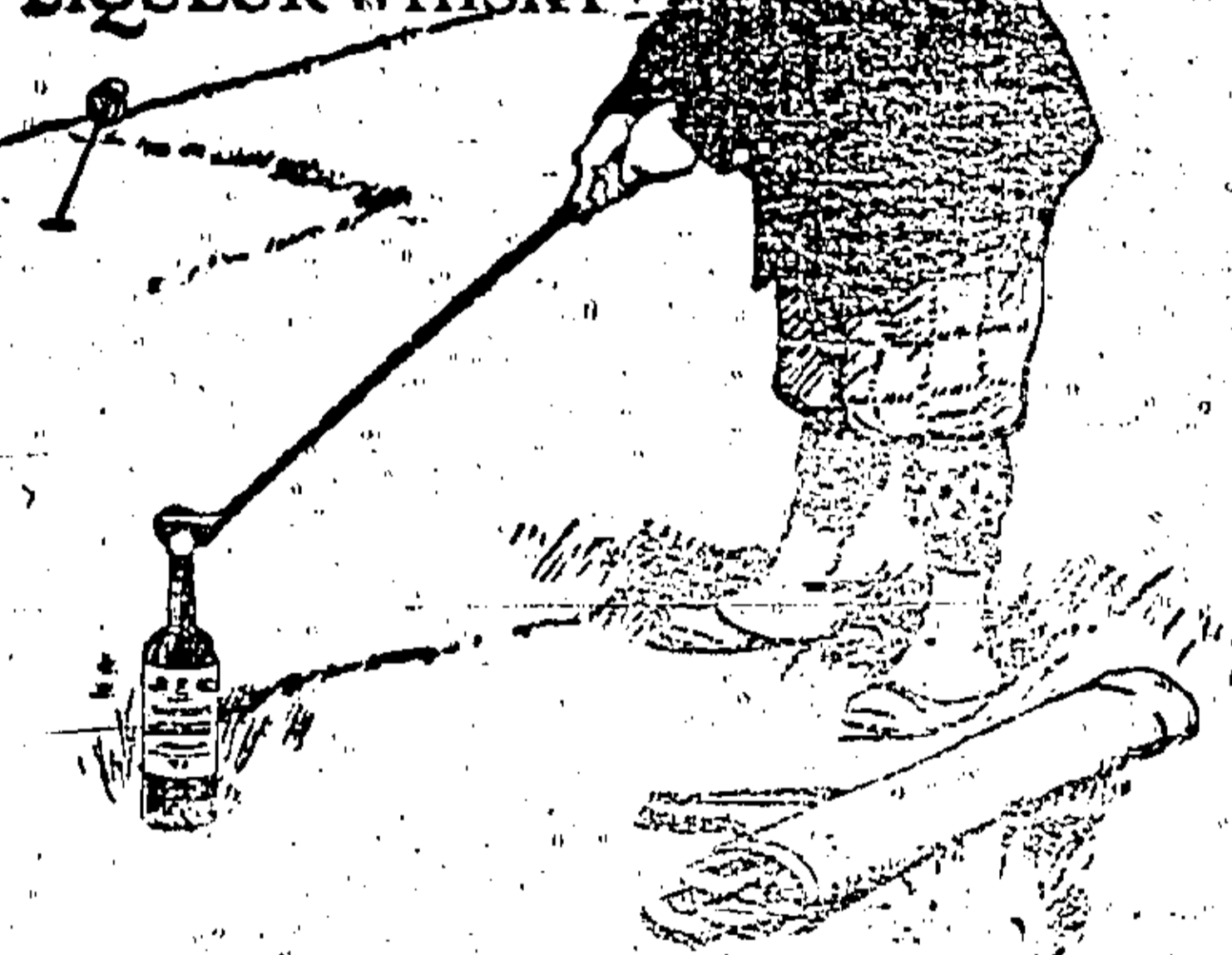
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Hibernians, 1; Raith Rovers, 0.

Dumbarton, 1; Celtic, 2.

Rangers, 4; Motherwell, 1.

Airdrieonians, 2; Falkirk, 3.

St. Mirren, 1; Queen's Park, 2.

Hamilton, 1; Aberdeen, 1.

Thistle, 0.

Third Lanark, 2; Dundee, 1.

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SCOTTISH SPORT.

THE LEAGUE NARROWING DOWN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, January 12.

The defeat of Hearts of Mid-Lothian and
the in-and-out of Greenock Morton
and Partick Thistle have considerably
improved the chances of Celtic and
Rangers in the League Championship.
Assuming that these clubs have exactly as
much to play for as the others, the
chances of Celtic will finish with 68
points to their credit and Rangers with 50.
But there is a possibility that the Irishmen
will not be so consistent, and that the
thrust of the club will be their undoing.
Any rate, a Glasgow club has been
the other clubs have little hope
of making a bid for the place
honours, others will be anxious to leave
the bottom of the table to Hibernians and
Raith Rovers. But the majority will be
inclined to mark the end of the
season and trust that things will be better
next year.

Celtic had an easy journey, the 2-1
result, a Glasgow club has been
rolled Motherwell over without much
trouble. Hearts and Partick Thistle
were both defeated, and the latter
twice in the present. Aberdeen, another
team, have not lost since
they were defeated by Celtic,
and now they defeated Kilmarnock
by an irresistible second-half display. Air-
drieonians and Raith Rovers were unfor-
tunate in the latter part of the season,
the present of two goals, and the Rovers
were Hibernians the winning penalty kick.
Queen's Park are in form just now, and
did exceedingly well by accounting for St.
Mirren. Morton and Clyde played a close
game, Greenock just pulling the last goal.
Partick Thistle made a desperate bid for a
score, but Hamilton Academicals got full
marks, rather better than they deserved.
Third Lanark had more than a 2-1 superiority
over Dundee.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

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THE PANAMA CANAL.

ANNUAL REPORT.

Making little comment on the Culebra
landslide, which has since closed naviga-
tion, Major-General Goethals, Governor of
the Panama Canal Zone, says a New York
paper, has made public his annual report
on the operation and maintenance of the
canal in the first ten and one-half months
after its opening to commerce in August,
1914. Construction just prior to the
opening also is referred to in the report,
which embraces the fiscal year ending June
30, which was just before the slide which
blocked the channel.

"Culebra slide," the report says,
"was very active from July to October,
1914; quiet during the dry season and
many seasons in April. On the west side at
Culebra the slide showed little activity
through the greater part of the year, but
in June, 1915, the general movement of
the bank was noticeable, and it was
estimated that 5,000,000 cubic yards of
material were in motion on June 30, 1915,
on the west side. It is estimated that about
4,000,000 cubic yards will have to be
removed from the east side."

GOVERNMENT OF THE CANAL.

The report shows that between August
15, 1914, and June 30, 1915, 580 vessels,
representing 1,294,728 tons and a cargo
tonnage of 3,125,795, passed through the
canal in the Pacific, and 1,533 vessels,
representing a Panama Canal tonnage of
1,458,307 and a cargo tonnage of 3,450,087,
passed through from the Pacific to the
Atlantic, making a total of 1,088 vessels
with a net canal tonnage of 4,693,792. In
this period three minor landslides interrupted
traffic, the channel being closed from Octo-
ber 14 to 20 and October 31 to November
4, 1914, and March 4 to 10, 1915.

General Goethals reports that the main-
tenance of the canal proper, except for dredg-
ing, excavating and construction of the
east breakwater at Colon, virtually was
completed prior to this fiscal year. In the
old Culebra cut, renamed the Gaillard cut,
there were removed in the process of con-
struction during the year 1,390,817 cubic
yards at an average cost of approximately
42 cents a yard. In maintaining the
channel—including removing of earth
deposits by slides—there were taken from
Gaillard cut 4,710,566 cubic yards at a cost
of 34 2-3 cents a yard and from the channel
at the Atlantic entrance 1,233,301 cubic
yards at a cost of 10 1-2 cents a yard.

HOW FUNDS WERE EXPENDED.

Of the \$394,399,149 appropriated by
Congress to June 30 last the report states
that \$14,682,973 has been spent on forti-
fications, \$750,000 to cover three annual
payments to the Republic of Panama,
\$8,440,000 for the operation of the canal
government, and the balance of \$251,266,
\$24,138,159 for the operation and main-
tenance of the canal to the end of the fiscal
year 1915, while stock on hand aggregates
\$2,228,000, leaving \$335,999,116 appro-
priated for the actual construction of the
canal and its appurtenances. Of this sum
\$1,000,000 of the year 1915 was returned to
the Treasury Department up to the close
of the fiscal year 1915 as miscellaneous
receipts, leaving \$337,450,045 as the net
amount expended for the canal, including
the amount available for work still in pro-
gress. A dry dock, two coaling stations
and terminal piers not included in these
figures are yet to be constructed.

Discussing health conditions on the zone,
General Goethals says they were more
than ordinarily good during the year. The
total death rate from disease was reduced
from 14.15 in 1914 to 11.77 in 1915.
Victims of malaria, the principal cause of
disability, were reduced twenty per cent
in number and the death rate thirty-two
per cent in the year. The admission rate
to hospitals from typhoid was reduced
more than seventy-six per cent; from dys-
entery, fifty per cent, and the death rate
from pneumonia was reduced more than
thirty-nine per cent.

Labour conditions, according to the re-
port, were excellent. The supply, however,
exceeded the demand, and more than 4,000
men were sent home free of charge because
their services in any capacity could not be
used.

DON'T RISK PNEUMONIA.

Get rid of every cold as quickly as pos-
sible. It is the forerunner of all
pulmonary trouble, and pneumonia may
develop in a few hours. Take Chamberlain's
Cough Remedy. It is a simple thing to
do, but the effect is marvelous. For sale
by all Chemists and Druggists.

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of \$1.00 per Share,
declared at the Ordinary Meeting of
Shareholders, held this day, will be
PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation, on and after TUES-
DAY, the 15th FEBRUARY, 1916.
Shareholders are requested to apply to
the Office of the Company for Warrants.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
W. E. CLARKE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 15, 1916.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having Claims against Mr.
GUSTAV ENGEL, of Messrs. Wm.
MEYERINK & Co., are requested to file
the same with the Liquidators before 15th
March, 1916.
ALEX. ROSS & Co.
Liquidators.

Hongkong, Feb. 9, 1916.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the vessels
of the Canadian Pacific Railway
Company's Royal Mail Steamship Line
will be operated under the title of the
CANADIAN PACIFIC OCEAN SER-
VICES LTD., as Managers and Agents
for the Canadian Pacific Railway Ocean
Steamships.

D. W. CRADDOCK,
General Traffic Agent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1916.

CANADIAN PACIFIC OCEAN
SERVICES LIMITED.

PACIFIC SERVICE.

I HAVE This Day handed over the
Hongkong Agency to Mr. J. H.
WALLACE who will assume charge, as
General Agent, during my absence on
leave.
D. W. CRADDOCK,
General Traffic Agent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1916.

THE HONGKONG STEAM LAUNCH

TUG AND LIGHTER CO. LTD.

LOST.

APPLICATION has been made to this
Company to issue Duplicate Certifi-
cate of 30 Shares in this Company in the
name of YUEN CHEONG, or other
Certificate or Certificates in lieu thereof
upon Statement that the Original Certificate
No. 39, Thirty Shares numbered 7729-7758
dated 18th August, 1910, has been LOST
or DESTROYED, and NOTICE IS
HEREBY GIVEN that if within 30 days
of the date hereof no claim or repre-
sentation in respect of such Original
Certificate is made to the Company, the
Undersigned will then proceed to deal with
such application for duplicate.

For the Hongkong Steam Launch Tug
and Lighter Co., Ltd.,

GORDON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1916.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

BOXING.

SUBJECT to sufficient entries being
received, an AMATEUR Boxing
Competition open to Hongkong will be
held in the Gymnasium of the V.R.C. on
SATURDAY, February 26th.

CONTRIBUTORS.

(a) 3 two minute rounds and if undecided,
an extra round of one minute.

(b) In 3 weights, 118 lbs, 132 lbs. and
148 lbs.

(c) Competitors to weigh in at V.R.C. on
night of February 24th.

Entries stating weight to be addressed to
I. DEAKIS, Esq., O/o V.R.C. before
February 20th. No Entrance Fee.

No Competition if less than 18 entries.
The Committee reserve the right
to refuse entries.

Hongkong, Jan. 21, 1916.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

THE FLOWER and VEGETABLE
SHOW will be held on the 3rd and
4th March, in the Forensic Gardens.
Entring Exhibitors should send their
entry forms to the Hon. Secretary not
later than 25th February.

Copies of Rules and Schedules may be
obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

A. NICOL,
Quarry Bay.

Hongkong, Feb. 10, 1916.

SAVARESS'S
SANTAL
CAPSULE



Hughes and Hough

ATTORNEYS-TO THE GOVERNMENT
AND ADMIRALTY.

General Auctioneers
AND
Share, Coal and
General Brokers.

PROPRIETORS

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A.B.C. 4th & 5th Editions.
A.L. TELEGRAPHIC CODE.

Telegraphic Address:
MEIRION HONGKONG.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned), on

THURSDAY,

the 17th February, 1916, at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, MISCELLANEOUS GOODS, as follows:—
Gent's Dressing Gowns and Smoking Jackets, Dress, Negligee and Flannel Shirts, Waistcoats, Straw and Felt Hats, Socks, Ties, Hunting Stocks, Mufflers, Caps, Sun Hats, Braces, &c., Suit Cases, Fancy Goods, &c., &c.

A number of Kerosene Stoves, Blankets, Overcoats, Jerseys, Sundry Paint and Oil, One Baling Machine, One Kerosene Motor, 4 Cases Piece Goods.

TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 15, 1916. 121

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned), on

FRIDAY,

the 18th February, 1916, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,—

AN ASSORTMENT OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,

Comprising:—
"Sideboards, Dinner Waggon, Dining Tables and Chairs, Chesterfield Sofa, Arm-chairs, &c., Wardrobe and Toilet Tables, Double and Single Bedsteads, &c., Miscellaneous Furniture, several lots of Blackwood Ware, 2 Carpets, Two Pianos, a number of lots of Pekinese Cloisonne, Porcelains, &c., &c., and a number of Small Folding Chairs.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 12, 1916. 113

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned), on

SATURDAY,

the 19th February, 1916, at 11 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,—

A LARGE QUANTITY OF
GOLD AND SILVER JEWELLERY,
&c., &c.

Comprising:—
Gold, Silver and Fancy Wrist Watches, a large assortment of Gold Rings, Set with Diamonds, Pearls, Rubies, Sapphires, Turquoise, &c., &c.; Gold and Enamelled Smart Pins, Brooches, Pendants, &c., Coral and Amber Neck Chains, Fancy Goods, &c.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 2, 1916. 83

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned), on

SATURDAY,

the 19th February, 1916, at 2.30 p.m., at No. 2, Canton Villas, "Lower Flat," Kimberley Road, Kowloon,

SUNDAY

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,

Consisting of:—
Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Double Bed, Chest of Drawers, Roll-top Desk (American make), Electric Table Fan, Shanghai Bath, &c., &c.

Also

Small Piano by Broadwood.

On view day of Sale.

TERMS:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 15, 1916. 114

INTIMATIONS

THE KOWLOON LAND AND
BUILDING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, VICTORIA BUILDINGS on FRIDAY, 12th February, 1916, at No. 8, Des Vaux Road, for the purpose of receiving the REPORT of the DIRECTORS together with Statement of ACCOUNTS for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 11th to FRIDAY, 18th February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER OF SHARES can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Acting Secretary to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND
BUILDING CO., LTD.
Hongkong, Feb. 8, 1916. 93

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK-
ING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 19th day of February, 1916, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending the 31st December, 1915.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 7th February, to SATURDAY, the 19th February, 1916 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Jan. 31, 1916. 74

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN
AND MORTGAGE COMPANY
LIMITED.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 52 George Street, Building No. 6, Connaught Road, on FRIDAY, the 25th February, 1916, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1915, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 21st February, 1916 until FRIDAY, the 25th February, 1916, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1916. 107

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
WEARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 2nd March, 1916, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st February to 2nd March, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1916. 117

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PRINCE OF SLAUGHTER YARDS.

PIERRE LOTI'S WORD PICTURE
OF THE HUNS.

TERMINAL INDICTMENT OF THE
KAISER.

Pierre Loti, the famous French author, who is serving in the French Navy as Commander Vieux, has written an intensely interesting impressionist article for the magazine section of the "New York Times," following a recent visit paid by him to the ruined French city of Soissons.

Prefacing his article with the Goethe quotation, "The Prussian is cruel by birth," Loti vividly describes the complete devastation accomplished by the German at Soissons, which, before the invasion, "was one of those towns a little antiquated, in the depths of our French provinces, with modest mansions on little squares-planted with elm trees."

"Here and there," he says, "on walls which have remained intact, little inscriptions carry this notice: 'Houses still inhabited.'—There follow the names, written by hand, of those obstinate inhabitants. Where was it that I saw, in the midst of a desolation similar to this, little notices of this kind? Ah! it was at Peking, during the occupation by the European troops, and in the unhappy section allotted to the Germans, where the soldiers of the Kaiser gave the role to all their worst instincts—for you could judge them there, these brutes, in comparison with the soldiers of the other Allied countries, who occupied the neighbouring quarters without injuring any one. No, it was they only, these Germans, who tortured their victims, and the poor wretches given up to their imbecile cruelty tried to save themselves by sticking native inscriptions on their doors, as for example, 'Here we are Chinese under French protection,' or even 'Here all are Chinese Christians.'"

"TENTACLES MOUNTED WITH BLOOD." But it is nothing! Besides, their Emperor—he, always he, whose tentacles bloated with blood are certain to be found deep in every wound that gases in any country in the world, he, the great organizer of worldwide slaughter, the lord of pirates, the prince of slaughter-yards and charnel-houses—he had said to his troops: 'Go, and act as did the Huns! Let China, even a century hence, remain under the terror of your passage.' And they all abundantly obeyed him.

These Peking-houses, ravaged by his order, had poured out on the old flagstones of the Chinese streets a quantity of relics strange and remote from us—images of Chinese piety, fragments of altars to ancestors, and little lacquered tablets on which were written long-Manchu genealogies whose beginnings were lost in night.

"How the poor chattels, which, in the city where I am this evening, are lying among the ruins, are more familiar to us, and the sight of them more painfully wrings our hearts. A child's cradle, a humble plane of antiquated shape, fallen feet upward, from an upper story, and which, still awakens thoughts of old times at family gatherings. And I remember, in the gutter on a heap of filth, an enlarged photograph of the honest sweet face of a grandmother in curl papers."

CULT OF MILITARISM. Following his wonderful word picture of devastated Soissons, Pierre Loti writes some biting reflections on the German cult of militarism—which has brought all this sorrow and strife and desolation upon Europe.

"We know it only too well," he says, "that if their voices are human and perhaps their faces also, their souls are not: there are lurking in them essential elements, that of loyalty, of honour, of remorse, and especially that which is the mildest, perhaps, and at the same time the most elementary, and which even the beasts sometimes possess, the feeling of pity."

"During a whole lifetime, to have had no other cares than to have machines for slaughter made, to invent explosives and poisons to kill, to exercise soldiers to killing, to have organized to the ends of a monstrous personal vanity, all the barbarism that slumbered in the depths of the German race; to have organized its native ferocity, organized its grotesque megalomania, organized the sheep-like servility and its credulous stupidity. And afterward not to die of terror before his own work!"

DANGEROUS OBLIVION. "Oh, what I say is not to arouse needlessly a world-wide hate; no, but I believe it is my duty to employ whatever power I have to keep back the dangerous oblivion that will fall upon their crimes. I have so deep a fear of our dear French

highheartedness, of our good nature, and our fragility. We are so capable of allowing the tentacles of the great cuttlefish to penetrate our flesh once more.

Who knows whether the innumerable vermin of spies will not presently come swarming back again, the crafty parasites, the secret burrowers who, even under the floors of our houses, lay emplacements for German guns. Oh! let us never forget that this predatory race is incurably treacherous, thievish, murderous, that with them no treaty of peace is binding, and that so long as they are not crushed, so long as their head has not been cut off—that frightful Gorgon head—Prussian Imperialism will begin again."

A LITTLE NONSENSE. "Papa, what's a pessimist?" "A man, whose neck during his entire voyage of life."

A woman always knows what she wants until she gets it, and then she wants something different.

Blessed are the poor, for they shall inherit the earth, just as soon as it is decided that others have no use for it.

Mother: What is baby crying for now? Little Ethel: I'm sure I don't know! I was only trying to make him smile with the glove-stretcher.

Who is that fellow so loudly advocating national preparedness? That's Wilkins. He never has an umbrella when it rains.

"Incensed Wife: Not you mean. Arry, by that wotbin'! You can't walk write. British Mariner: Can't 'elp hit. Arry, hit comes o' dodging them submarines."

"Won't your mother be mad when she sees how you tore your clothes?" "Not so very. Ma'll have lots of fun, huntin' up cloth to match an' puttin' in a patch so people can hardly notice it."

"I have often stood in a slaughter-house," observed the man from Chicago, "while the butchers were killing hogs on all sides of me."

"Oh," exclaimed the tender-hearted girl, "weren't you dreadfully afraid?"

First Villager: Hello, Aaron! Hear you've got married. What kind of a match did you make?

Second Villager: Well, neighbour, I didn't do as well as I expected; but, to tell the truth, I don't think she did either.

The famous detective gasped as he arrived at the scene of the crime. "Heavens!" said he, as he looked at the window through which the thief had escaped. "This is more serious than I expected! It's broken on both sides!"

Mr. Sumpster (feeling his way): "Your charming daughter tells me that she is an excellent cook and house-keeper."

Old Lady (calmly):—Yes, I have had her carefully taught, for I have always held that no lady who does not understand housekeeping can properly direct a retinue of servants."

"Some men have no hearts," said the tramp. "I've been a-tellin' that fellow I am so dead broke that I have to sleep outdoors."

"Didn't that fetch him?" asked the other.

"No. He told me he was doing the same thing; and had to pay the doctor for tellin' him to do it."

An advertisement of a recent sale ran thus: "The choice collection of bric-a-brac offered for sale is so unusual that it may safely be said each piece in it is calculated to create a sensation among people of artistic sense. Immediately upon entering the room the visitor's eye will be struck by a carved walking stick of great weight and beauty."

"I hope," said the tram conductor, pensively, after taking the names of the people who saw the lady lose her balance, "that women will vote, and that they'll have a political party of their own and a platform."

"And then what?"

"And that they'll advocate capital punishment for anybody who gets off the platform backward."

SOME CLERICAL STORIES.

If anybody reads my book it will only be for the stories, and not because they are interesting in the author. I wish most regretfully that I had kept a diary since boyhood, or at least a "commonplace book," in which to place all the stories I have heard. As it is, I can only put down a few, mostly "chapters" of some of which do "rough for the literary truth."

The war will no doubt render a good crop of stories. At the moment I can only remember these: One is that of the person who saved a company of Belgian wounded by saying pathetically to them on passing, "Que Dieu vous benisse!"

Another person, arguing on the merits of French and English Red Cross work, and wishing to tell a French lady that we went in for female nursing more than her countrymen, did not say, "Dées hospitalières nous avons un grand nombre de nourrices." The lady was surprised to hear that the Tommies needed wet nurses!

Some extreme Protestants will tell you good tales of their own school of thought. Many odd things have been narrated about extemporaneous prayers. "The finest prayer ever delivered to a Pagan audience" is, of course, a classic. These are becoming so: "Paradoxical as it may appear to Thee, O Lord," "For this, O Lord, is the correct reading of the passage," "O Almighty God, very wonderful are the joys of Thy existence. This, perhaps, is the best," "O Lord, let us hang together in perfect accord, without discord," "A voice," "Any cord'll do," or this: "If there is spark of holiness here, Lord, water that spark."

Pulpit wit is sometimes, of course, unconscious, as when the old parson, after delivering four or five periods to a rapidly decreasing congregation of rustics, looked up from his MS. and said: "And here I fancy I hear someone say: 'You have Terrallian against you.'"

Or when the nervous Vicar, bent on introducing moderate ceremonial in a hitherto very Protestant church, said: "Dear friends, you will perceive that we have a new Litany Book. We must go quietly, dear people, Rome, you know, was not built in a day."

A Bi-hop in the West of Ireland, visiting his diocese, asked the children in the school if they could explain the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony. One of the boys replied: "Yes, Father, it is a period of suffering and torment, man has to go through to prepare for a higher life." "You stupid, boy!" said Father Tom, the parish priest: "they will be Euphrasyne and her dearth!"

"New man said the Bishop: 'We cannot tell; the boy may be right.' This reminds us of Eliza, who held communications with her departed husband thus: 'Are you happy, Henry?' 'Very happy, Eliza.' 'Appier than you were on earth, Henry?' 'Appier than you were on earth, Eliza.' 'Must be in heaven, Henry?' 'No, Eliza.'"

Someone wanting to console with a lady who had lost her husband made use of the usual conventional expressions about a "better place." "Yes," she said, "and I think that he who was always telling me to go to the devil should have gone first at himself, after all!"

(From Canon Adderley's "In Slum and Society.")

10,000 MILES OF TRENCHES ON WESTERN FRONT.

There are at least ten thousand miles of trenches now in the western theatre of the European war, according to Mr. H. Warner Allen, special correspondent of the British press with the French army. He writes:—"In the section of the French lines that I have just been inspecting there are already on a front of just more than ten miles 375 kilometres (or slightly more than 233 miles) of trenches. To make certainty still more sure, another 75 kilometres (or 46 miles) of other trenches are being dug, so that by the end of the year there will be in that neighbourhood 280 miles of trenches on ten miles of front."

Elsewhere a certain division has 250 miles of trenches to look after, while a certain corps d'armée has 450 miles. Taking these figures into consideration, one will certainly be under the mark in estimating that there are twenty miles of trenches to every mile of front, so that between Britain and the North Sea, the British and French armies have at least ten thousand miles of trenches to guard and keep in order."

GERMAN TRENCHES EQUAL TO WALL OF CHINA.

Some genius for figures, with plenty of time at his disposal, has estimated that the German system, who have had to bear the burden of trench digging since the beginning of the war, have excavated a quantity of earth which in cubic feet is equivalent to the Great Wall of China. He arrives at his conclusion in the following way:—

The Great Wall is 2,450 kilometres long, 16 ft. meters high, 8 meters wide at the bottom and 5 meters wide at the top. The German lines in April extended 650 kilometres in the west and about 1,300 kilometres in the east. Behind these foremost lines, he never extends secondary, and in most cases third and fourth lines, all connected up by miles of "Laulgraben" or communication trenches.

Since April the German positions have repeatedly changed, necessitating the construction of new trenches. Each trench is usually from six or seven to a dozen feet in depth and little narrower. In connection with each one are countless underground shelters. Taken altogether, the estimator believes, the trench digging record of the German soldiers in 14 months is quite on a par with the decade long record of the Chinese.

"Mps: Nurch was mingling with her guests, extending a greeting here and there. A meek little man caught her eye.

"It was so good of you to come," she exclaimed, grasping his hand. "I'm awfully glad to see you!"

"Thank you, ma'am," blushed the little man.

"You're Mr. de Cash, are you not?"

"No'm," concluded the victim: "I'm the collector for the laundry."

An English soldier, a member of the 2nd South Staffordshire Regiment, says that one bitterly cold night in the early spring he and his mate came out of the trenches. They were billeted in a barn, where they were packed in very close. "Though numb with cold, we were soon asleep," said the soldier, in telling the incident. "I was awakened in the night by one of our chaps trying to put his boots on. After he had been trying for a minute or two I heard the fellow next him say:—

"are you doing?"

"Putting my boots on," was the reply.

"Well, that's my foot, you fool!"

"FOR a good cold meal, a little of the best—ALEXANDRA GATE."

15, Morrison Hill Road.

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INTIMATIONS

PETER WALKER'S LAGER

throat and lungs, to become diseased. What
is such a simple thing to stop into a
chemist's shop and get a bottle of Cham-
lain's Cough Remedy. For sale by
Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PARLIAMENT RE-OPENS.

THE KING'S SPEECH.

MR. ASQUITH ON THE WAR SITUATION.

LONDON, Feb. 15. The King's speech at the re-opening of Parliament says:—

"The spirit of my Allies and my people, who are united in this conflict by over-riding ties of sympathy and understanding, remains steadfast in the resolve to secure reparation for the victims of unprovoked and unjustifiable outrage, and effectual safeguards for all nations against the aggression of a Power which mistakes force for right and expediency for honour."

With proud and grateful confidence I look to the courage, tenacity and resource of my Navy and Army, on which we depend, worthily to perform our part in the attainment of this goal."

The Speech adds that the House of Commons will be asked to make financial provision for the conduct of the war, and says: "The only measures that will be submitted to Parliament are such as will tend to the attainment of our common object."

The King's Speech was read by the Speaker and loudly cheered. Mr. J. I. Macpherson (Liberal Member for Ross and Cromarty) moved an Address in reply to the King's Speech expressing thankfulness that the King had recovered from the mishap which His Majesty sustained at the front, where the hearts and hopes of so many loyal subjects were. (Cheers.) The hon. member paid a tribute to the strenuous work of Their Majesties and praised the work of the Navy. He emphasised that six million men had voluntarily rallied to the Colours and a million older men were in training. (Cheers.) Mr. Macpherson dwelt on the splendid spirit of the Empire and expressed the greatest appreciation of the appointment of General Smuts to the command in East Africa.

Lieut. Colonel the Hon. F. S. Jackson, the famous cricketer (Conservative Member for Bowdeshire), seconded the motion, and dwelt on his speech on the great sacrifices made by the Dominions. He deprecated reprisals for the Zeppelin raids saying that Great Britain could not play that dirty game. He urged an effective blockade.

Mr. Asquith in a speech gratefully acknowledged the act of French in providing conscripts for our fallen soldiers, and said the Government would appoint a Committee under the presidency of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales to assist the French Government in this matter. He said that thanks for the assistance given by our Italian Allies, which enabled the Serbians to be successfully evacuated through Albania, was now being felt. The Prime Minister also referred to the Anglo-French successes in the Cameroons and said the situation in Mesopotamia had materially improved. General Townshend was holding his own and had considerable supplies. There was every ground for hoping that General Aylmer's force would unite with that under General Townshend and that anything in the nature of a serious British check might be averted. He considered that the outstanding feature of the last three months was the growingly intimate relations, the co-ordination, concentration and unity of direction and control among the Allies. Mr. Asquith dwelt on the cordial welcome given to M. Briand (the French Prime Minister) both in London and Rome and hoped at an early date there would be a general conference of all the Allies in Paris, reviewing all the political and strategic questions. We would thus effectively counteract our enemies' early advantage of centralised control. The Government at Home was taking complete stock

of all resources, military and financial, in order to contribute in the coming months the maximum effort to the common cause.

M. BRIAND ON HIS VISIT TO ITALY.

PARIS, Feb. 15. M. Briand, interviewed, said he was delighted with his visit to Italy. The result had been excellent.

ITALIAN PREMIER TO VISIT PARIS.

LONDON, Feb. 15. A telegram from Rome says that Signor Salandra will visit Paris in March accompanied by Signor Barzani and the Ministers of War and Finance.

FRENCH RECAPTURE LOST GROUND.

PARIS, Feb. 15. A communiqué states that the French have recaptured part of the advanced elements at Tahure.

MUNITION REQUIREMENTS.

PATENT STILL DISTILLERIES COMMANDEERED.

LONDON, Feb. 15. In view of the increasing demand for alcohol and high explosives the Ministry of Munitions has taken over the patent still distilleries.

THE RECRUITMENT OF SINGLE MEN.

LONDON, Feb. 15. It is stated that between January 11th and 27th, 114,000 unmarried men were recruited.

SERBIANS FOR SALONIKA.

PARIS, Feb. 15. The *Figaro* says that before the end of March 30,000 Serbians from Corfu will be sent to reinforce the Allies at Salonika.

BELGIANS INVADING GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Reuter's Agency is informed that a Belgian wireless message has been received stating that the Belgians invading East Africa attacked the Germans in the region of Lake Kivu, capturing trenches which were afterwards retaken. There were heavy losses on both sides, and fighting continues.

ENEMY BUILDS SUBMARINE MONITORS.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Mr. Archibald Hurd, the well-known writer on Naval subjects, states that Germany has built a fleet of submarine monitors, each having powerful guns.

THE BRITISH LABOUR PARTY.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Mr. Henderson has been re-elected Chairman of the Labour Party.

AEROPLANE ACCIDENT IN JAVA.

DUTCH GENERAL KILLED.

BATAVIA, Feb. 15. General Michelsen, Commanding the Troops in Java, has been killed by the fall of an aeroplane in which he was a passenger. The pilot was severely injured. The aeroplane was formerly an American hydroplane rebuilt.

BEQUEST TO A SIMLA HOSPITAL.

LONDON, Feb. 15. The late Lieut. General Sir Henry Moore bequeathed 5,500 rupees to the Ripon Hospital at Simla for the erection of a ward for the ill men and women.

SHIPOWNERS AND THE GOVERNMENT. DIFFERENCES REGARDING COMPLETION OF VESSELS.

LONDON, Feb. 15. It appears that the differences between the Government and shipowners as regards the completion of vessels ready for launching are not yet settled. The shipowners consider that the Government ought to pay the difference between the cost before the war and the cost now.

MANCHESTER AND FREE TRADE. A POST-WAR FREE-TRADE PROPOSAL REJECTED.

LONDON, Feb. 15. The Manchester Chamber of Commerce has rejected a proposal by the directors favouring adherence to the policy of Free Trade and resisting proposals for Protection.

Speakers emphasised that German trade must be excluded or restricted after the war.

AFTER-WAR PROBLEMS. REPRESENTATION OF DOMINIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Mr. Walter Long, President of the Local Government Board, interviewed on "After-War Problems," said the Parliamentary system would have to undergo a change. Apart from a feeling of gratitude to the Dominions for their enormous sacrifices for the Motherland, there would be a general desire for closer association. The Dominions must have fuller recognition and an adequate representation on our councils.

TRADE PROBLEMS. RECIPROCAL TARIFFS URGED.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Mr. R. McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Bonar Law, Colonial Secretary, are to attend a conference of the Association of Chambers of Commerce on February 29th in London. The conference will discuss post-war trade problems, and 120 resolutions will be submitted by various Chambers of Commerce.

The principal resolution declares that "the strength of the nation lies in its power to produce our requirements from our own soil and factories."

Other resolutions urge the immediate appointment of a Minister of Commerce. Fourteen resolutions refer to reciprocal trading and tariffs within the Empire, and between the Empire and the Allies.

VISCOUNT WYMOUTH KILLED IN ACTION.

LONDON, Feb. 15. It is announced that Viscount Weymouth has been killed in action. [Viscount Weymouth was the eldest son of the Marquis of Bath, and was a 2nd Lieutenant in the 2nd Dragoon.]

RETIREMENT OF SIR HENRY LUCY.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Sir Henry Lucy is retiring from the Staff of Punch. [Sir Henry Lucy is 71 years of age. He joined the Staff of "Punch" in 1881 and created the character of "Toby M.P." from whose Diary the Essence of Parliament, commenced by Shirley Brooks, is now extracted. Prior to his joining "Punch," Sir Henry Lucy was connected with London daily journalism, and was for some years chief of the "Daily News" Gallery Staff and the writer of its Parliamentary summary. He was appointed Editor of the "Daily News" in 1899, but resigned in the following year because he preferred his earlier vocation in the Press Gallery.]

DEATH OF THE KING OF BAROTSELAND.

LONDON, Feb. 15. The death is recorded of Lewanika, King of Barotseland, a steadfast ally of the British.

OBITUARY. SIR WILLIAM TURNER.

LONDON, Feb. 15. The death is announced of Sir William Turner, K.C.B., Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Edinburgh University since 1903, and late President of the Royal Society at Edinburgh.

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CHINESE AFFAIRS. (Wok Tse Yat Po's Service.) THE YUNNAN REVOLT.

PEKING, Feb. 15. Lou Choua Hsu, commander of the Szechuen Division, has surrendered to the Yunnan troops, and joined with them in the attack on Louchow.

General Fook Kwok Cheong of Nanking has been appointed to the command of the Western Expedition, his successor at Nanking being Jau Lin Hung.

The Government Northern troops, commanded by Tso Kwan have arrived at Kway Yuen (North of Suichow). Owing to shallow water in the river the troops have to proceed overland to their destination.

The rebel government in Yunnan has appointed Chow Jen Liu to proceed with an army from the North of Kweichow.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS. (Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LOD KITCHENER AT THE FRONT.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Lord Kitchener, who has been spending a few days on the Western front, has returned to London. During the visit he inspected various units, and was well satisfied with what he saw.

SEVERE ARTILLERY FIGHTING ON WESTERN FRONT.

PARIS, Feb. 15. A communiqué states that our artillery in Belgium blew up a munition depot north of Boesinghe. Enemy infantry, north of Solesmes last evening, after a heavy bombardment, attempted to debouch, but were stopped immediately by artillery and rifle fire.

There has been severe artillery fighting in Champagne. The enemy in Upper Alsace heavily bombarded the advanced trenches east of Neppois which we had recaptured in the night. We had evacuated the positions which were entirely wrecked. Our artillery in the same region shelled enemy reinforcements which were attempting to advance in small parties.

The enemy have been most active with mining south of the La Baucse Canal. They exploded seven mines in twenty-four hours. South of Fosse VIII there were mine explosions preceded by a heavy bombardment, which was followed by a small infantry attack. A few men entered our front trench but were immediately expelled by hand grenades.

THE MESOPOTAMIAN CAMPAIGN.

LONDON, Feb. 15. An official announcement states that General Aylmer reports that the weather has cleared, and that the situation is unchanged. General Townshend reports that an aeroplane dropped two bombs on Kut, but no damage was done.

MEMORIAL TO FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Her Majesty the Queen unveiled the Florence Nightingale memorial at St. Paul's Cathedral. The Premier, the Lord Mayor and other prominent personages were present.

DEATH OF VISCOUNT RIDLEY.

LONDON, Feb. 15. The death is announced of Viscount Ridley, in his 42nd year. [The deceased had represented Stalybridge in the House of Commons in the Conservative interests since 1906.]

MORE AEROPLANE RAIDS ON ITALY.

LITTLE DAMAGE DONE.

ROME, Feb. 15. Enemy aeroplanes bombed Triviglio and Bergamo, doing no damage; also Monza, where the casualties were one killed and fifteen injured. A bomb fell in the enclosure of the Humbert Memorial Chapel. Six aeroplanes appeared in the suburbs of Brescia, but anti-aircraft guns prevented them approaching the town.

AIR DEFENCE OF GREAT BRITAIN. IN THE HANDS OF THE FRENCH.

LONDON, Feb. 15. It is understood that the Government have decided against a Ministry of Aviation for the present and have approved of a scheme for placing the air defence in the hands of the French under the War Office.

THE BLOCKADE. CITY MEN ASK FOR FULLER USE OF NAVAL POWER.

LONDON, Feb. 15. At a meeting in the City, Lord Devonport presiding, a resolution was passed viewing with grave alarm the enormous quantity of commodities which are reaching the enemy through the North Sea, and urging the full use of our sea power.

TURKEY CALLING UP OLD MEN. A SEQUEL.

LONDON, Feb. 15. A Constantinople telegram states that the Porte has introduced a Bill extending military compulsory service to men of fifty years of age.

MISS CAVELL'S BETRAYAL. A SEQUEL.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 15. A Brussels telegram states that a waiter has been executed for the murder of the son of a Belgian officer named Kael. The execution was apparently connected with the murder of the late Miss Cavell's betrayer.

CEYLON'S PRACTICAL PATRIOTISM.

LONDON, Feb. 15. Reuter's Agency learns that the Ceylon Government recently paid to the Imperial Government the first annual instalment of £100,000 of Ceylon's contribution of £1,000,000 towards the cost of the war.

It is proposed to use the contribution for the redemption of a war loan. In addition, the Ceylon Government will meet the cost of a contingent from the Colony.

FRENCH MUNITION MAKERS. WHY THE OUTPUT IS INCREASING.

LONDON, Feb. 15. The report of the mission sent to France by the Ministry of Munitions describes the enormous output in France to the fact that there is one idea, animating all the men and women alike, and this is to win the war. This spirit has prevented labour difficulties, and Trade Union restrictions were non-existent. The enterprise and energy of the employers were beyond praise. In a word, the increase in production was due to one cause alone, patriotic enthusiasm. The report emphasises the success of female labour.

THE ECONOMIC FACTOR IN WAR. A MINERS' CIRCULAR.

LONDON, Feb. 15. The Northumberland Miners' Association has issued a circular to the members urging them to work regularly, and pointing out that the economic factor will be the greatest in the war.

COURT MARTIAL ON A VOLUNTEER.

Sapper T. Gibson, No. 1630, of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, was charged before a Court-martial at the Volunteer Headquarters this morning with absenting himself without leave from searchlight duty at Belcher's Forts from 5.45 p.m. to 11.55 p.m. on January 16th.

The Court was composed of Major G. M. de Viro, R.G.A. (President), Captain G. G. Wood (Hongkong Volunteer Corps) and Lieut. W. D. Roberts (4th Battalion King's Shropshire Light Infantry). Capt. G. F. Stewart, Adjutant of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, acted as prosecutor. The finding will be promulgated in due course.

LATEST SHARE FLUCTUATIONS.

Latest advice, as we go to press, from Messrs. Vernon and Smyth give: Douglases 1125 buyers China Sugars 1139 buyers

To-day's Advertisements.

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